

ABSTRACT

In order to provide a basic, non-aqueous decontaminating fluid, such as is used as a universal detoxicant for combating chemical weapons by detoxication of military and civil technical facilities and apparatus, buildings, roads *etc.*, and which can be used more economically but causing no or substantially no attack on painted surfaces, surfaces coated with plastics/elastomers, particularly surfaces of metals, plastics materials, or elastomers when treated for the necessary period of treatment, the invention proposes that said basic, non-aqueous decontaminating solution contains

20 to 40 wt%	of an aliphatic C ₂₋₆ alcohol;
20 to 40 wt%	of an aliphatic C ₂₋₆ amino alcohol;
20 to 50 wt%	of a cyclic C ₂₋₅ acid amide and/or an aliphatic C ₂₋₆ diamine; and
0.5 to 2.6 mol/L	of an alkali metal alkoxide (alkali metal alcoholate, alkali metal alkanolate) and/or an alkali metal aminoalkanoxide (alkali metal aminoalcoholate, alkali metal aminoalkanolate).